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In re application of: E. Nakamura Confirmation: 3668  
Application No.: 09/690,262 Art Unit: 2674  
Filed: October 17, 2000 Examiner: Abdulselam, Abbas, I.  
For: SIGNAL PRODUCTION CIRCUIT AND DISPLAY DEVICE USING THE  
SAME

Mail Stop Fee Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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1. Transmitted herewith is an Amendment for this application.

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2. [ ] a small entity. A statement:  
[ ] is attached.  
[ ] was already filed.  
[X] other than a small entity.

3. EXTENSION OF TERM

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*Non-Final Office Action, an extension of time is not required to permit filing and/or entry of an additional amendment after expiration of the shortened statutory period.*

*If a timely response has been filed after a Final Office Action, an extension of time is required to permit filing and/or entry of a Notice of Appeal or filing and/or entry of an additional amendment after expiration of the shortened statutory period unless the timely-filed response placed the application in condition for allowance. Of course, if a Notice of Appeal has been filed within the shortened statutory period, the period has ceased to run." Notice of December 10, 1985 (1061 O.G. 34-35).*

**NOTE:** See 37 C.F.R. § 1.645 for extensions of time in interference proceedings, and 37 C.F.R. § 1.550(c) for extensions of time in reexamination proceedings.

4. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 apply.

*(complete (a) or (b), as applicable)*

(a)  [ ] Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136  
(fees: 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1)-(4)) for the total number of months checked below:

|                              | Extension<br>(months) | Fee for other than<br><u>small entity</u> | Fee for<br><u>small entity</u> |
|------------------------------|-----------------------|---|--------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> [ ] | one month             | \$ 110.00                                 | \$ 55.00                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> [ ] | two months            | \$ 410.00                                 | \$ 205.00                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> [ ] | three months          | \$ 930.00                                 | \$ 465.00                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> [ ] | four months           | \$ 1,450.00                               | \$ 725.00                      |

Fee:

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

*(check and complete the next item, if applicable)*

[ ] An extension for \_\_\_\_\_ months has already been secured. The fee paid therefor of  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now  
requested.

Extension fee due with this request

**OR**

(b)  [X] Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

## FEE FOR CLAIMS

5. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

| [Col. 1] | [Col. 2] | [Col. 3] Small Entity | Other Than a Small Entity |
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| Claims Remaining After Amendment                   | Highest No. Previously Paid For | Present Extra | Rate     | Additional Fee              | Rate                             | Additional Fee |
|--|---------------------------------|---------------|----------|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------|
| Total 21   | Minus 20                        | =1            | x \$ 9 = | \$                          | x \$ 18 =                        | \$18.00        |
| Indep. 4   | Minus 3                         | =1            | x \$42 = | \$                          | x \$ 84 =                        | \$84.00        |
| [ ] First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim |                                 |               | +\$135 = |                             | +\$270 =                         |                |
|  |                                 |               |          | <b>Total Addit. Fee: \$</b> | <b>Total Addit. Fee \$102.00</b> |                |

\* If the entry in Col. 1 is less than the entry in Col. 2, write "O" in Col. 3,

\*\* If the "Highest No. Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, enter "20".

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*(complete (c) or (d), as applicable)*

(c) [ ] No additional fee for claims is required.

**OR**

(d) [X] Total additional fee for claims required

## FEE PAYMENT

6. [X] Attached is a check in the sum of \$102.00 for additional claims.  
[ ] Charge Account No. 04-1105 the sum of \$

## FEE DEFICIENCY

**NOTE:** *If there is a fee deficiency and there is no authorization to charge an account, additional fees are necessary to cover the additional time consumed in making up the original deficiency. If the maximum, six-month period has expired before the deficiency is noted and corrected, the application is held abandoned. In those instances where authorization to charge is included, processing delays are encountered in returning the papers to the PTO Finance Branch in order to apply these charges prior to action on the cases. Authorization to charge the deposit account for any fee deficiency should be checked. See the Notice of April 7, 1986, (1065 O.G. 31-33).*

7.  If any additional extension and/or fee is required, charge Account No. 04-1105.

AND/OR

If any additional fee for claims is required, charge Account No. 04-1105.



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By: *Helen Murray Tarsi*  
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

The following is in response to the Office Action mailed April 23, 2003, in the above referenced application.

Applicant believes that no extension of time is required since this response is being filed before the expiration of the specified time period. Applicant, however, conditionally petitions for an extension of time to provide for the possibility that such a petition has been inadvertently overlooked and is required. As provided below charge Deposit Account No. 04-1105 for any required fee.

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Please amend the subject application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 10 of this paper.